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ROINN na SLAINTE PUIBLIDHE,
SRATH AN URLÁIR,
CO. DHÚN na NGALL.

Do

Bhainisteor na Conndae
Agus do Chathaoirleach agus Comhaltaí
Chomhairle Chonndae Dhún na nGall.

A Dhaoine Uaisle,

Is mór agam d'onóir an cuntas cinn-bliadhna seo do chur fe nbhúr mbrághaid fé mar atá de dhualgas orm do réir na n-Ordughadh seo leanas: Ordughadh na Liaigh-Fheadhmannach Conndae, 1926, agus Ordughadh Sláinte Puiblidhe (Liaigh-Riarádh Leanbhaí) a 1920.

Mise, le meas,

M. BASTABAL,
Liaigh-Fheadhmannach Conndae.

Lughnasa, 1949.

DONEGAL COUNTY.

STAFF OF PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1948.

County Medical Officer:
M. S. BASTABAL, M.D., D.P.H. (M. J. Bastible).

Assistant Co. Medical Officers:
D. COFFEY, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.H. (Resigned 16-9-1948).
PATRICIA McCAUL, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.H. (Took up duty 8-11-1948).
F. O SIOCHFHRADHA, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.H. (Temporary—Resigned July, 1948).
MICHAEL J. FARRELL, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.H. (Temporary, from 22-9-1948 until 13-11-1948).
ROSE DOMICAN, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.H. (Temporary, from 1-10-1948).

County Ophthalmic Surgeon (part-time):
G. O'DONNELL, M.B.

School Dental Officers (Part-time):
JOSEPH R. KELLY, B.D.S.; D. J. BONAR, B.D.S.; G. O'LEARY, B.D.S.; J. L. MULHERN, L.D.S.

Public Health Nurses (full-time):
Miss ANNE CASEY, Miss MARGARET T. McLAUGHLIN, Miss C. O'CONNOR.

Part-time—**The Jubilee and Dudley Nurses** employed in the following areas:
Annagry, Ardara, Arranmore, Ballybofey and Stranorlar, Ballyshannon, Bruckless, Buncrana, Bundoran, Carndonagh, Carrigart, Clonmany, Convoy, Creeslough, Derrybeg, Donegal, Doochary, Drumholm, Dunfanaghy, Dungloe, Fahan and Inch, Fanad Upper, Fanad Lower, Frosses, Glencolumbkille, Glenfin, Gortahork and Falcarragh, Kilcar, Letterkenny, Lifford Clonleigh and Castlefin, Malin, Manorcunningham, Moville, Muff and Upper Moville, Ramelton, Raphoe, Rathmullan and Glenvar, Taughboyne. The four Nurses employed by the MacDevitt Nursing Trust, Glenties.

Clerical Officers:
SEAMUS O CEALLAIGH, ROSALEEN HYNES (took up duty August, 1948).

Clerk-Typist:
ROISIN McGILLOWAY.

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POPULATION.

The population of County Donegal, comprising an area of 1,193,581 statute acres, was 136.136, according to Census of Population, 1946. The population for the several years 1821 to 1946 was as follows:—

1821	248,270	1881	206,035
1831	289,149	1891	185,635
1841	296,448	1901	173,722
1851	255,158	1911	168,537
1861	237,395	1926	152,508
1871	218,334	1936	142,310

1946 ..... 136,136.

The following table shows the distribution of the population according to Urban and Rural Districts from the Census of the year 1911 to that of 1936:—

District.	1911 Census	1926 Census	1936 Census
URBAN DISTRICTS.			
Buncrana U.D.	1,874	2,309	2,295
Bundoran U.D.	2,116	1,339	1,351
Letterkenny U.D.	2,194	2,308	2,649
RURAL DISTRICTS.			
Ballyshannon R.D.	7,772	7,509	6,628
Donegal R.D.	19,616	16,552	14,780
Dunfanaghy R.D.	15,471	14,252	13,559
Glenties R.D.	32,800	30,081	27,562
Inishowen R.D.	33,837	30,545	28,285
Letterkenny R.D.	9,961	8,782	8,496
Milford R.D.	19,293	16,884	15,497
Stranorlar R.D.	23,503	21,947	21,090

The following table shows the population of the towns in County Donegal according to the 1936 Census:—

Towns with Population over 200		Towns with Population under 200	
Letterkenny	2,649	Creeslough	199
Buncrana	2,295	Cross Roads	171
Ballyshannon	2,223	Killygordon	165
Bundoran	1,352	Kilmacrennan	155
Donegal	1,315	Carrigans	154
Moville	937	Clonmany	123
Rathmelton	924	Carrowkeel	120
Raphoe	754	Kilcar	117
Ballybofey	736	Manorcunningham	117
Carndonagh	660	Carrickart	115
Killybegs	631	Muff	114
Dungloe	593	Carrick	112
Lifford	478	Malin	112
Stranorlar	462	Culdaff	95
Ardara	442	Ballindrait	91
Rathmullan	402	Laghey	85
Dunfanaghy	386		
Milford	377		
Castlefin	374		
Convoy	369		
Glenties	360		
Mountcharles	313		
Ballintra	287		
St. Johnston	272		
Pettigo (pt. of) (a)	251		
Dunkineely	235		
Newtowncunningham	207		

(a) The remainder of the town of Pettigo is in District Electoral Division of Clonelly, Fermanagh County.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

Nominal Poor Law Valuation of Co. Donegal including Urban Areas	£338,904 1 0
Nominal Poor Law Valuation of Health District (Administrative County less Urban Districts)	£318,664 7 0
Nominal Poor Law Valuation of Urban Districts	£20,240 14 0
Effective Valuation for rating purposes for the year 1949/50 of County Health District (Administrative County less Urban Districts)	£306,233 9 0
Rate of 1d. in the £. produces	£1,275 19 5
Area of County in Statute Acres	1,200,664 acres
Area of Urban Areas	2,264 acres
Area of Health District (Administrative County less Urban Districts)	1,198,400 acres

VITAL STATISTICS.

	1948
1.—Population (according to Census of Population, 1946)—	136,136
2.—Number of Births	2,842
Rate per 1,000 of the Population	20.87
3.—Number of Marriages	723
Rate per 1,000 of the Population	5.2
4.—Number of Deaths from all causes	1,773
Rate per 1,000 of the Population	13.02
5.—Number of Deaths from Tuberculosis (all forms)	149
Rate per 1,000 of the Population	1.1
6.—Number of Deaths from Pulmonary Tuberculosis	118
Rate per 1,000 of the Population	0.86
7.—Number of Deaths from other forms of Tuberculosis	31
Rate per 1,000 of the Population	0.2
8.—Number of deaths from Influenza	25
Rate per 1,000 of the Population	0.18
9.—Number of Deaths from Cancer	192
Rate per 1,000 of the Population	1.4
10.—Number of Deaths of Infants under 1 year	140
Rate per 1,000 Births	49
11.—*Number of Deaths from Principal Epidemic Diseases	31
Rate per 1,000 of the Population	0.2
12.—Number of Deaths from Diarrhoea and Enteritis in Children under 2 years of age	7
13.—Number of Deaths from Puerperal Infection	3
14.—Number of Deaths from other Puerperal Conditions	6
15.—Uncertified Deaths	416
Percentage of Total Deaths	23.4
16.—Number of Deaths from Violence	33
17.—Number of Deaths of persons over 65 years	1,039
Percentage of Total Deaths	58.6
18.—Deaths Registered during the year include:—	
Inquest Cases	51
In Public Institutions	322

*Principal Epidemic Diseases:—Enteric Fever, Typhus, Smallpox, Scarlet Fever, Whooping Cough, Diphtheria, Dysentery and Diarrhoeal Diseases.

The following is an extract from the County Manager's statement to the County Council in introducing the estimates for the financial year 1948/49:—

The Public Bodies (Temporary Provisions) Order, 1947, has transferred from the Health Services Account to a new account known as "Sanitary Services," the following items:—

(1) Water Supplies.
(2) Sewerage Schemes.
(3) Burial Grounds.
(4) Domestic Scavenging.
(5) Public Lighting.
(6) Public Sanitary Conveniences.
(7) Donegal Markets.
(8) Moville Recreation Ground.
(9) Bathing and Life-Saving Appliances.

All these items, except the first three (i.e., Water Supplies, Sewerage Schemes and Burial Grounds) were up to now separate or local charges, but they now become automatically charges over the entire county under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Act, 1948.

Certain other items, namely, expenditure under the Milk and Dairies Act; the cost and administration of School Meals in the Gaeltacht area; welfare allowances to Blind Persons, which were formerly Health Charges, are now included in the General Purposes Charges Account.

From the 1st April, 1948, the Urban District Councils, or the Urban Sanitary Authorities, as they are called, cease to be responsible for any of the Health Services provided under the Health Act, 1947, and related legislation. Their functions in relation to Infectious Diseases; Vaccination; Maternity and Child Welfare, and the Free Milk Scheme, will be discharged by the County Council which becomes the sole Health Authority.

A Consolidated Health Services Grant will be payable to the Co. Council as the Health Authority under the Health Services (Financial Provisions) Act, 1947, in substitution for grants in aid of expenditure on Tuberculosis, School Medical Services, Venereal Disease Schemes, and for the supply of milk to necessitous children; and the licence duty grant payable in aid of medical and educational expenditure, salaries of sanitary officers, maintenance of Mental Hospital patients, and five-eighths of the amount payable from the Estate Duty Grant on behalf of Public Assistance patients. Pending clarification of the system of payment, these Grants are shown in the Estimates as heretofore.

Under this Act (the Health Services (Financial Provisions) Act, 1947), the expenditure on recognised Health Services for the year ending 31st March, 1948, less grants or other receipts, is defined as the standard health expenditure, and increases over the standard health expenditure in future years will rank for recoupment, subject to the over-riding limitation that if in any financial year the health expenditure exceeds twice the standard expenditure, the amount payable shall be recouped by one-half of such excess.

Compared with the Estimates as adopted for the current financial year, the following increases are shown :—

SERVICE	1947/48	1948/49	Increase	Increased Rate in £
Roads	£112,101	£122,317	£10,216	7.5
Public Assistance ...	39,113	122,578	25,465	17.8
Mental Hospital	46,367	69,836	23,469	18.0
Health Charges ...	35,787	47,312	11,525	8.8
Sanitary Charges ...				
Housing	12,095	15,645	3,550	2.7
General Purposes ...	49,430	74,354	24,924	19.1
	£354,893	£432,042	£97,149	73.9
Malicious Injuries ...	£281	£297	£1	
Railway Guarantees ...	£640	£640		

HEALTH SERVICES.

As I have already mentioned, the former Health Service is now divided under two heads—Health and Sanitary—and the expenditure during the year more or less corresponds with the amount provided.

Taking the items in detail, the salaries show a decrease of £412. This arises from the fact that in last year's estimate provision was made for making the increases retrospective.

The increase for Maternity and Child Welfare is expected by reason of the provision of additional nurses or subsidies to Nursing Associations. An increase in the subsidies to Nursing Associations was authorised since last year.

The increase in the main under the other heads are caused by increased fees and expenses, and the reasons are obvious.

TUBERCULOSIS.

It is hoped that the new Sanatorium in Killybegs will be opened for patients before the year is far advanced.

In our other County Sanatoria it is expected that all the beds will be occupied to full capacity. Increases are provided for practically all the other institutions owing to the increased cost of maintenance and also to provide for an increased number of patients.

Whilst a substantial sum is provided under the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1946, for additional rooms, I fear that it will not be much availed of. There appears to be a prejudice against the erection of additional rooms solely for tuberculous persons as the room might be taken as a public notice that a person in the house was affected with tuberculosis.

Substantial items are provided under the Infectious Diseases (Maintenance) Regulations, 1948, for the maintenance of persons suffering from Tuberculosis and other infectious diseases and, also, to provide compensation for loss of earnings under the Health Act, 1947. These items will be recouped in full to the Council, and no loss will accrue to the County Funds.

SANITARY SERVICES.

As I have already mentioned, a number of items under this head were formerly separate or local charges.

If it should be decided to finance the erection of the Public Sanitary Conveniences by way of loan, the total amount should be grouped and one loan raised for the lot, as the area of charge is now the entire county. A loan of £3,500 would be sufficient for this purpose.

LOAN CHARGES — WATER SUPPLIES.

This sum provided for the repayment of principal and interest on the initial instalments of the loan for the four major schemes under consideration. The amounts of £11,000 for new Water Schemes, and £2,000 for new Sewerage Schemes will be raised by way of loan.

Infectious Diseases (Maintenance) Regulations, 1948.

A large amount of extra clerical work has been imposed on this department through misapprehension of the scope of above regulations. The allowances set out are not in the nature of a **pension,** as seems to be somewhat widely believed. They are available only to persons suffering from active disease for which they are undergoing treatment by this department, or in some approved institution. It is important to appreciate that no allowance is payable to persons who are crippled or otherwise disabled as a result of some infection which took place several years previously. Particularly in regard to Acute Anterior Poliomyelitis (Infantile Paralysis) we have had to disallow very many claims from persons who thought they were entitled to the allowance on the grounds of permanent disability. The Minister for Health has ruled that in the case of paralysis following on Acute Anterior Poliomyeletis the allowance (where payable) is not to be continued beyond the time, a period of sixteen months to two years from the initial acute stage, that is, during the maximum period that recovery of muscle function may be anticipated.

INFECTIOUS DISEASE NOTIFICATIONS, 1948—COUNTY DONEGAL

DISPENSARY DISTRICT	Tuberculosis	Enteric Fever	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Puerperal Infection	Measles	Whooping Cough	Primary Pneumonia	Influenzal Pneumonia	Acute Anterior Poliomyelitis	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	Scabies	Erysipelas	Diarrhoea and Enteritis in Children	Venereal Disease	Streptococcal Sore Throat	Dysentery	Infective Hepatitis	Rubella
Ardara	15	—	1	3	1	33	25	18	—	—	—	—	6	1	—	—	—	—	—
Ballintra	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ballyshannon ...	17	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bunerana ...	7	1	17	—	—	41	1	2	—	—	1	6	—	3	—	—	—	—	—
Carndonagh ...	2	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	—	—	—
Carrick	5	—	—	1	—	8	—	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Castlefin	3	—	—	—	1	—	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
Churchill	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cloghan	4	4	4	—	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Clonmany ...	7	—	1	—	—	9	—	17	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cross Roads (Falcarragh) ...	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cross Roads (Bunbeg) ...	8	—	—	—	—	—	16	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Donegal	8	—	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Doochary ...	8	—	—	2	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Dunfanaghy ...	9	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Dungloe	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dungloe (Burtonport) ...	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dungloe (Arranmore) ...	5	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dunkineely ...	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Fanad	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

INFECTIOUS DISEASE NOTIFICATIONS, 1946—COUNTY DONEGAL—Continued

DISPENSARY DISTRICT	Tuberculosis	Enteric Fever	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Puerperal Infection	Measles	Whooping Cough	Primary Pneumonia	Influenzal Pneumonia	Acute Anterior Poliomyelitis	Cerebro-Spinal Fever	Scabies	Erysipelas	Diarrhoea and Enteritis in Children	Venereal Disease	Streptococcal Sore Throat	Dysentery	Infective Hepatitis	Rubella
Glenties	5	—	—	1	—	8	—	5	2	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
Kilderry	25	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Killea	10	—	3	3	—	2	2	4	—	—	—		4	3	3	2	1	—	—
Killybegs ...	6	—	—	—	—	26	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	—
Killygordon ...	10	—	8	2	—	3	21	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Kilmacrenan and Milford ...	4	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—
Laghey	4	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Letterkenny ...	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Malin	13	—	—	—	—	1	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Manorcunningham	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Moville	11	—	1	—	—	23	13	8	2	—	—	—	2	—	5	—	—	—	—
Pettigo	—	—	—	—	—	31	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ramelton ...	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Raphoe	10	—	14	—	—	—	8	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	—	—	—	—
Rathmullen ...	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rosguill	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Stranorlar ...	11	—	3	—	—	10	11	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
Tanatallon ...	5		1	2	—	—	1				—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL ...	269	6	58	26	2	200	106	71	11	2	3	6	15	8	36	2	1	7	1

TABLE OF CASES OF DIPHTHERIA NOTIFIED FOR TEN-YEAR PERIOD ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1948.

Year	Total Cases Notified	Number Previously Immunised	Number Not Previously Immunised	Total Number of Deaths
1939	55	11	44	5
1940	29	3	26	4
1941	29	2	27	4
1942	41	4	37	3
1943	218	33	185	14
1944	341	89	252	20
1945	368	82	286	24
1946	228	57	171	17
1947	68	18	50	6
1948	58	18	40	2

AGE INCIDENCE OF DIPHTHERIA, 1948.

Age in Years	Number of Cases	Number of Deaths
0— 1	1	—
1— 3	7	1
3— 5	11	—
5—10	23	1
10—15	2	—
15—20	2	—
20—30	7	—
30	5	—
TOTALS ...	58	2

SUMMARY OF CASES OF DIPHTHERIA, 1948 (MONTHLY INCIDENCE).

January	8	July	8
February	2	August	4
March	3	September	3
April	6	October	6
May	4	November	—
June	10	December	2

During 1948 there were 58 cases with 2 deaths. This is the lowest incidence of the disease since 1942, and shows a reduction on last year's notification of 68 cases. The following table sets out the relevant facts as to immunisation in the 58 notified cases:—

Number of cases fully immunised	13
Number of cases not immunised	40
Number of cases partly immunised	5
Total ...	58

The two deaths occurred in patients who had not been immunised.

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

So far as our information goes, 4,480 children were immunised fully during 1948. 2,623 were partially immunised.

SCARLET FEVER.

TABLE OF INCIDENCE AND MORTALITY FOR EIGHT-YEAR PERIOD ENDED 1948.

Year	Number of Notifications	Number of Deaths
1941	79	4
1942	66	—
1943	37	1
1944	59	1
1945	41	1
1946	26	1
1947	20	—
1948	26	—

TYPHOID FEVER (ENTERIC).

TABLE SHOWING NUMBER OF CASES NOTIFIED AND NUMBER OF DEATHS FOR EACH OF THE YEARS 1930-1948.

Year	Number of cases notified	Number of deaths
1930	75	10
1931	51	5
1932	24	4
1933	46	9
1934	39	2
1935	42	1
1936	10	2
1937	102	16
1938	21	1
1939	13	1
1940	10	1
1941	15	—
1942	21	1
1943	14	1
1944	29	3
1945	22	1
1946	13	4
1947	21	3
1948	6	—

The incidence over the twelve-month period is shown in the following table:—

January	—	July	—
February	3	August	—
March	2	September	—
April	1	October	—
May	—	November	—
June	—	December	—

Total Incidence—Males, 4; Females, 2.

AGE INCIDENCE.

Age Period	Number of Cases
0—15	1
15—25	1
25—35	3
35—45	1
45—55	—
55—	—

WHOOPING COUGH.

85 cases notified (as compared with 40 in 1947). Deaths, 18.

ACUTE ANTERIOR POLIOMYELITIS.

There were 2 cases notified as against 32 cases in 1947. There was no death.

AGE INCIDENCE.

Age period	Number of Cases
0— 5	—
5—15	1
15—26	—
25—35	—
35—	1

A Physiotherapist (Mr. Murphy, Stranorlar) was appointed i June, 1948. He pays regular weekly visits to all cases of the diseas who come under our notice and who are capable of benefiting from h home treatment and advice.

CEREBRO-SPINAL MENINGITIS.

No abnormal incidence. There were only 3 cases notified. The was no death.

TABLE SHOWING NUMBER OF CASES NOTIFIED.

Year	Cases Notified	Deaths
1941	1	—
1942	2	—
1943	7	—
1944	2	—
1945	4	2
1946	3	—
1947	5	1
1948	3	—

INFLUENZA.

Eleven cases of Influenzal Pneumonia were notified, with 25 deaths from Influenza. (Influenza as such is not notifiable). The following table gives the number of notifications of Influenzal Pneumonia and the number of deaths from Influenza for each year since 1941.

Year	Cases of Influenzal Pneumonia Notified	Number of Deaths from Influenza
1941	17	145
1942	7	77
1943	—	85
1944	4	85
1945	5	46
1946	9	85
1947	50	77
1948	11	25

Disinfection and Disinfestation.

As set out in previous reports, the following are now available for disinfection of clothing, etc., in County Donegal:

(1) A modern Manlove-Elliott steam disinfector at the County Home, Stranorlar, looked after by a competent engineer.

(2) A portable "Sack" Disinfector, purchased by the Board of Health in 1941, is temporarily housed in the District Hospital, Donegal Town, through the courtesy of Dr. Gallagher, Medical Officer to the hospital.

(3) and (4) Two American Mobile Disinfectors, obtained on loan from the Irish Red Cross Society. One of these is stationed at Letterkenny District Hospital, and the other at Carndonagh District Hospital.

No definite provision has yet been made for the official transmission of infected material to the above centres.

D.D.T. may be had free on application to all Dispensary Doctors.

HOSPITAL ACCOMMODATION FOR INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Name of Hospital.	Number of Beds at 31st December, 1948.
Letterkenny	24
Donegal	25
Carndonagh	Nil.

No cases of Infectious Disease are now taken at Carndonagh Hospital.

No alteration or improvements have been affected either to Carndonagh or Donegal Fever Hospitals since the publication of my Annual Report for 1947.

CANCER.

The following table shows the annual death rate from Cancer in County Donegal from 1930 to the present time:—

Year	Number of Deaths	Death Rate per 1,000 of population
1930	141	0.9
1931	140	0.91
1932	135	0.88
1933	134	0.88
1934	151	1.0
1935	153	1.0
1936	160	1.1
1937	173	1.2
1938	149	1.0
1939	158	1.1
1940	170	1.2
1941	161	1.1
1942	158	1.1
1943	187	1.3
1944	185	1.4
1945	166	1.2
1946	157	1.2
1947	173	1.3
1948	192	1.4

TUBERCULOSIS.

CLINICS AND ATTENDANCES.

The following arrangements for Clinics for the diagnosis, treatment and prevention of Tuberculosis were in operation during the year 1948:—

Each Fortnight—At Ballyshannon, Carndonagh, Donegal, Glenties, Letterkenny.

Each Month—At Annagry, Ardara, Bunbeg, Buncrana, Carrick, Carrigart, Clonmany, Dunfanaghy, Dungloe, Dunkineely, Fahan, Falcarragh, Frosses, Killybegs, Lettermacaward, Lifford, Milford, Moville, Muff, Pettigo, Ramelton, Raphoe, Stranorlar, Tamney.

Each Alternate Month—Arranmore Island.

In addition, suspected cases are visited in their own homes at the request of their own doctor, or of any other responsible person interested, providing the Dispensary Doctor is agreeable.

ATTENDANCE AT CLINICS.

January	145	February	140
March	146	April	206
May	203	June	238
July	206	August	218
September	197	October	191
November	169	December	258

As mentioned in previous reports, the examination of contacts is urged on all patients. Those contacts who exhibit any clinical signs of disease are immediately X-rayed and, if necessary, sent for treatment. Other contacts are tuberculin-tested and, if positive, are also X-rayed. For children we have been using Tuberculin Jelly as a preliminary test, while for adults we have used P.P.D. for Mantoux-testing.

TUBERCULOSIS CASES NOTIFIED—1948.

Total Number of Cases	269
Deaths	40
Sputum-positive	173
Sputum-negative	293

	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary
Males	115	12
Females	126	16

Age	Male	Female	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary
1— 5	—	5	1	4
5—10	9	9	16	2
10—15	14	19	32	1
15—20	30	18	43	5
20—25	15	26	39	2
25—30	17	24	34	7
30—35	11	15	23	3
35—40	11	10	18	3
40—45	5	8	13	—
45—50	4	2	6	—
50—60	6	2	7	1
60—	5	4	9	
	127	142	241	28

Of the 269 cases notified in 1948, the following mortality statistics are available:—

Total number of Deaths	40
Dead within—	
(1) 12 months of notification	5
(2) 6 months of notification	7
(3) 3 months of notification	25
Notified after death	3

Total Number of Children (0-15 years) coming under treatment in 1948:— 56

These were made up of the following:—

Pulmonary Tuberculosis 49

Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis 7

Children notified in 1948 and dealt with in Local and Extern Institutions in the year 1948:—

Local Institutions:—

Pulmonary 11

Non-Pulmonary 1

Extern Institutions:—

Pulmonary 1

Non-Pulmonary 5

Summary of Notifications of Tuberculosis received during the period from the 1st January, 1948, to the 31st March, 1948.

Age Classification	County Health District			County Borough, Borough or Urban District		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Under 5 years ...	—	1	1	—	—	—
5 years and under 15	3	5	8	1	—	1
15 years and under 45	15	18	33	—	2	2
45 years and under 60	4	—	4	1	—	1
60 years and upwards	1	—	1	—	—	—
TOTAL ...	23	24	47	2	2	4

Return of Number of New Cases of Tuberculosis which came under the notice of the Health Authority during the period from the 1st April, 1948, to the 31st December, 1948.

Age Classification	County Borough Borough or Urban District			Remainder of Health Authority's Functional Area		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Under 5 years ...	—	—	—	1	8	9
5 years and under 15	—	1	1	17	26	43
15 years and under 45	5	2	7	59	68	127
45 years and under 60	—	—	—	9	2	11
60 years and upwards	2	1	3	3	4	7
TOTAL ...	7	4	11	89	108	197
Cases entered on treatment register (included in above figures) who were NOT notified under Articles 33 and 40 of the Infectious Diseases Regulations, 1948	4	1	5	6	7	13

Return of number of Patients Treated under the County Tuberculosis Scheme during the year ended 31st December, 1948.

	Children under 15 years	Other Persons Males	Other Persons Females	Children under 15 years	Other Persons Males	Other Persons Females	Total
A.							
1. Number remaining under treatment on:							
(*a*) 1st January, 1948	53	127	139	19	18	13	369
(*b*) 31st Dec., 1948 ...	90	202	214	25	29	19	579
2. Number of new patients treated during 1948 ...	51	78	90	7	14	8	248
3. Number of patients formerly dealt with under the scheme who have returned during the year 1948 and are not already reckoned under 1. (*a*)	—	3	9	1	—	1	14
4. Number of cases under observation at close of year, 1948...	264	48	62	13	11	3	401

B. Number of Patients who received treatment during the year in:	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Total	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
(*a*) Institutions under the control of the Local Authority	68 ...	53	10	6	78	59
(*b*) Extern Institutions ...	40	44	14	7	54	51

FIGURES ILLUSTRATING THE OPERATION OF THE COUNTY TUBERCULOSIS SCHEME DURING 1948.

(1) Clinics held	376
Number of attendances	2,317
(2) Domiciliary Visitation:	
Number of visits paid by Tuberculosis Medical Officers	522
Number of visits paid by Public Health Nurses	1,212
Number of visits paid by Jubilee Nurses	6,500
(3) Institutional Treatment:	
(a) County Institutions.	
Number treated in Glenties	52
Number treated in Donegal	56
Number treated in Carndonagh	54
Number treated in Lifford	16
(b) Extern Institutions:	
Number treated in Peamount	38
Number treated in Cappagh	14
Number treated in Coole	2
Number treated in Newcastle	1
Number treated in Lourdes	2
Number treated in Harold's Cross	1
Number treated in Ballyroan	1
Number treated in Meath	3
Number treated in Forster Green	4
Number treated in Dr. Steevens'	6
Number treated in City & County, Derry	1
Number treated in Sheil	1
Number treated in Baldoyle	7
Number treated in St. Laurence's	3
Number treated in Adelaide	1
Number treated in Castlerea	53
(4) Contact Control:	
Number of contacts examined	447
(5) Special Examinations:	
Reports of Sputa	466
X-ray Examinations	1,147
(6) Patients died (Registered Deaths):	
Pulmonary	118
Non-Pulmonary	31

TABLE SHOWING DEATH RATE FROM TUBERCULOSIS IN COUNTY DONEGAL FOR THE YEARS 1930-1948.

Year	Number of Deaths	Death Rate per 1,000 of population
1930	192	1.03
1931	157	1.02
1932	154	1.0
1933	150	1.0
1934	156	1.02
1935	142	0.9
1936	127	0.9
1937	128	0.9
1938	134	0.9
1939	128	0.9
1940	147	1.0
1941	159	1.1
1942	188	1.3
1943	155	1.1
1944	155	1.2
1945	136	1.0
1946	106	0.8
1947	143	1.1
1948	149	1.1

DOMICILIARY VISITS.

At the end of the year there were thirty-seven Jubilee and Dudley Nurses in the County, and they all visit the homes of the patients who are too ill to attend at the local clinics.

The total of visits paid by them during the year was divided as follows between the thirty-seven districts:—

Annagry	124
Ardara	424
Arranmore	161
Ballybofey & Stranorlar	208
Ballyshannon	419
Bruckless	115
Buncrana	260
Bundoran	126
Carndonagh	22
Carrigart	74
Clonmany	27
Convoy	217
Creeslough	92
Derrybeg	67
Donegal	197
Doochary	210
Drumholm	200
Dunfanaghy	295
Dungloe	84
Fahan & Inch	221
Fanad No. 1	64
Fanad No. 2	240
Frosses	251
Glencolumbeille	**285**
Glenfin	57
Gortahork	82
Kilcar	344
Letterkenny	499
Lifford, Clonleigh & Castlefin	166
Malin	165
Manorcunninghan	157
Moville	148
Muff & Upper Moville	275
Ramelton	98
Rathmullen	23
Raphoe	123
Taughboyne & Carrigans	230

725 Domiciliary visits were paid by the Superintendent Public Health Nurse in County Donegal to tuberculous patients during the year.

HOSPITAL ACCOMMODATION FOR TUBERCULOUS PATIENTS

Table showing number of Beds available in County Donegal, as at 31st December, 1948.

Name of Hospital.	Number of Beds.	
	Male.	Female.
Donegal District Hospital	9	9
Carndonagh District Hospital	10	10
Glenties District Hospital	11	10
Lifford District Hospital	3	3
	33	32

HOUSING

COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT

During the year contracts were entered into for the erection of 102 Labourers' Cottages as follows, and work commenced thereon:—

Glenties	28	houses.
Convoy	30	houses.
Moville	28	houses.
Dunkineely	6	houses.
Dunfanaghy	10	houses.

Tenders were received for the erection of 16 Cottages at Corkey (Kineraigy), 12 at Ramelton, and 40 at Oldtown (Letterkenny), but owing to their high figure it was only found possible to accept a tender for 4 of the 16 at Corkey. In the case of Ramelton and Oldtown it is proposed to have the development work carried out by direct labour and the erection of the houses re-advertised in smaller groups.

The final lay-out of the proposed 20 cottages at Milford is still the subject of correspondence with the Local Government Department. Lay-out plans have been prepared in respect of the following Schemes and are now with the Local Government Department for approval:—

Ballybofey	25	houses.
Castlefin	30	houses.
Coolatee	12	houses
Killybegs	10	houses.
St. Johnston	28	houses.
Lifford	32	houses.

It is proposed to have the erection of the 32 houses at Lifford carried out by direct labour.

The preparation of lay-out plans for the following schemes is in progress:—

Buncrana Rural	20	houses.
Newtownhamilton	6	houses.
Raphoe	20	houses.
Cruey West	4	houses.

The County Council is at present endeavouring to procure cottage sites by agreement in the following localities, and should their efforts not meet with success it will be necessary to acquire lands by compulsory purchase:—Ardara, Ardeskin (Donegal), Ballintra, Carndonagh, Carrigart, Cloghore (Ballyshannon), Clonmany, Creevy (Ballyshannon), Downings, Drumany (Letterkenny), Dungloe, Dunkineely, Falcarragh, Inver, Kilcar, Kilmacrenan, Killygordon, Mountcharles, Pettigo, Speenogue.

It is proposed to utilise above sites, if acquired, for the provision of approximately 250 Cottages.

Housing (Inspection of Districts) Regulations, 1936

A Survey is at present in course of preparation and it is hoped to have it completed early in the new year.

LETTERKENNY URBAN DISTRICT

The total number of houses for the working class in Letterkenny is now 185.

A scheme of 46 houses was advertised for tender, but the accepted contractor withdrew. This scheme is now divided into three lots, viz.,

(1) Two bungalows,
(2) 16 five-roomed houses,
(3) 28 four-roomed houses.

It is proposed to build the two bungalows by direct labour. For this purpose a foreman has been appointed and tenders have been received for the supply of concrete blocks. The remaining 44 houses have been advertised for contract in two lots.

There is practically no more building-space left in Letterkenny Urban District for the use either of the Urban Council or private individuals.

Special permission under the Town and Regional Planning Acts to erect dwellings was given in seven cases during the year.

BUNCRANA URBAN DISTRICT

The County Manager accepted the tender of Messrs. E. Barr and Sons, Buncrana, in a sum of £40,359 for the erection of 32 houses at the Castlefield. This is for building works only, and is exclusive of internal plumbing and electric lighting. The construction of the houses progressed very rapidly during the year and it is hoped to have the scheme completed by the end of May, 1949.

The Council also acquired 26 houses at Maginn Avenue and it is intended to spend a sum of approximately £9,000 on repairs to these during the coming year.

Sites for future schemes have been investigated but at the end of the year no suitable site had been acquired. Negotiations with land-owners are proceeding and it is possible that a suitable site may be acquired early in 1949. A scheme of a further 50 houses should relieve the immediate housing shortage in Buncrana.

Private building has continued at a reasonable pace during the year and individual builders have acquired sites for the erection of houses in the coming year.

BUNDORAN URBAN DISTRICT

A scheme for the erection of 22 houses has been approved by the Minister for Local Government, according to plans and specifications prepared by Messrs. Corr and McCormick, Architects, Greencastle, County Donegal. Tenders have been submitted to the Architects for their observations and recommendations. It is anticipated that the scheme will be under way early in 1949.

BALLYSHANNON TOWN COMMISSIONERS

A Census of families living normally in the Town Commissioners' houses was taken in April, 1948. This showed that there were nine four-roomed houses with one in the family and nine similar houses with two in the family. Plans for a 50-house Scheme, drawn up by Mr. Frank Gibney, A.M.T.P.I., were submitted to the Department of Local Government for sanction. The Scheme comprised:—

Type A —five 1-roomed houses
Type A 1—five 2-roomed houses
Type A 2—fifteen 3-roomed houses.

Mr. Dermot O'Reilly-Hyland, A.R.I.C.S., was appointed to make out the Bill of Quantities. The Scheme is divided into two parts, viz., part one, development work, and part two, housing.

Messrs. T. McMahon & Co., Dublin, were appointed as contractors for the development work at a cost of £15,528 11s 5d. The development work is now in progress.

It is proposed to buy 11 houses at Slate Row, Ballyshannon, the property of the Sheil Estate and renovate them with a view to giving them a further lease of life.

On the present site at Bachelor's Walk, 14 sites are being made available for private building. These sites are 40 feet wide by 110 feet deep, and will be leased at £6 per annum.

ACHTANNA na dTITHE (GAELTACHT)

Fuarthas an cunntas so leanas o'n Roinn Tailte, agus taim buidheach da bharr:—

1.	Iarrataisí a fritheadh	4048
2.	Méid iarratas a ceadaíodh	2329
3.	Méid airgid a ceadaíodh	£176,977 :15 :0
4.	Méid airgid a h-íocadh	£107,836 :10 :6

De 2 thuas ta 781 casanna nach dteachaidh chun cinn leis an obair agus cuireadh as feidhm an t-airgead a ceadaiodh in a geoir.

Fagann san go bhfuil 1,548 cásanna ceadaithe agus £111,736 1s 10d curtha in airithe doibh.

Baineann an t-eolas thuas leis an treimhse o deineadh Acht na dTithe (Gaeltacht) 1929 do rith go dtí 31 Nollaig, 1948.

WATER SUPPLIES AND SEWERAGE SCHEMES

From several localities in which householders had long distances to travel for water suitable for domestic use, applications to have wells sunk and pumps erected were received. These applications and reports from the Engineering Staff thereon were considered, with the result that in all cases where supplies were necessary and the water could be obtained at reasonable expense the work of sinking wells and providing pumps was put in hands.

The water supply to the towns of Ballybofey and Stranorlar had appreciably decreased during the year. Efforts continued to be made to ascertain the cause of this. At the close of the year the defect was discovered and remedied and an ample supply was provided.

Though an additional pump was provided at Dungloe during the past year the supply to this town is still insufficient.

During the year the needs of almost all the towns in the County Health District not yet provided with water supplies were considered, but it was found that the financial resources of the Council would not permit of supplies being immediately provided, and it was accordingly decided to spread the works over five years. Herewith is given the programme of works which the Council propose to carry out during the coming five years.

With regard to sewers very little work was done beyond ordinary maintenance of existing sewers and for financial reasons the Council also decided to spread the carrying out of the more urgent works over a five-year period. Since the close of the year a tender has been accepted for the extension of the Rosses Waterworks to Burtonport and tenders have been invited for the construction of a new sewerage system for the town of Rathmullan.

DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL

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FIVE-YEAR PROGRAMME FOR WATER SUPPLIES AND SEWERAGE SCHEMES

WATERWORKS	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953
	£	£	£	£	£
Ballyshannon ...	10,000	5,000			
Rossnowlagh ...		5,000	5,000		
Donegal	6,000	6,000			
Rosses Burtonport, Dungloe	10,000	15,000	15,000		
Brinleck ...				5,000	
Finn Valley Killygordon, Castlefin, Convoy, Raphoe, Lifford	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Greencastle, Shrove ...	10,000	10,000	4,000		
Creeslough ...	15,000	10,000			
Marblehill, Portnablagh, Dunfanaghy			10,000	15,000	15,000
Kilcar	8,500				
Culdaff, Malin		6,000	6,000		
Dunkineely ...		5,000	5,000		
Teelin			5,300		
Clonmany				10,000	
Gortahork					10,000
Rossnakill			8,000		
Quigley's Point ...					4,500
Glencolumbcille ...					5,000
TOTAL ...	79,500	82,000	78,300	50,000	54,500

SEWERAGE SCHEMES	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953
	£	£	£	£	£
Rathmullan ...	8,600				
Mountcharles ...		8,000			
Falcarragh			8,000		
Ramelton				12,000	
Castlefin				8,000	
Convoy					8,000
Lifford					8,000
TOTAL ...	8,600	8,000	8,000	20,000	16,000
GROSS TOTAL ...	88,100	90,000	86,300	70,000	70,500

SLAUGHTER OF ANIMALS ACT, 1935

List of Licensed Slaughtermen:—

John Francis Anderson, Drimarke, Donegal.
Andrew A. Begley, Diamond, Donegal.
John Bogs, Malin.
John Boyle, Ardara.
Thomas Boyle, Naran, Portnoo.
Frank Bradley, Drumbarnet, Manorcunningham.
Anthony Brogan, Donegal Street, Ballybofey.
Patrick Byrne, Bogagh, Carrick.
Neill Canny, Pound Street, Carndonagh.
James Cassidy, Main Street, Ballyshannon.
John Crumlish, Ballyholey, Raphoe.
Charles Crumlish, Drumoghill, Manorcunningham.
James Crumlish, Hillhead, St. Johnston.
Francis Daly, Jr., College Street, Ballyshannon.
William Deeney, Saltpans, Rathmullan.

Edward Doherty, Altclough, Meenaneary, Carrick.
Edward Doherty, Mullany, Burt.
Eugene Doherty, Diamond, Carndonagh.
Anne Duffy, Raphoe.
George Duncan, Dunkineely.
William Duggan, Moville.
Charles Ferry, Upper Keeldrum Gortahork.
Francis Friel, Rossnakill.
Mick Friel, Rossnakill.
Dominick Gallagher, Magheraclogher, Derrybeg.
James Gallagher, Carrigart.
Joseph Gallagher, Brinaleck, Derrybeg.
Patrick Gallagher, Templecrone Co.-op. Society, Dungloe.
Francis Gallagher, Ranny, Ardara.
Andrew Gallagher, Main Street, Lifford.
Patrick Gillespie, Gortaloon, Glencolumbcille.
Joseph Glacken, Newtowncunningham.
Bernard Grant, Muff.
John Joseph Hanlon, Quay Street, Dungloe.
Douglas Hamilton, Mountcharles.
John Joseph Hanlon, Carnmore Road, Dungloe.
James Harte, Lifford.
James Herrity, Ardsbeg, Gortahork.
John Kennedy, Glenties.
Andrew Lambe, Ballybofey.
Joseph Lawson, Ballyraine, Letterkenny.
Patrick Langan, Cloone, Cashelmore.
Columb Maguire, Malinmore, Glencolumbcille.
John Molloy, Malin.
John McBrearty, Boggagh, Carrick.
John McBride, Sheegan, Derrybeg.
William McCarron, Drum, Portsalon.
Thomas J. McCormick, Diamond, Donegal.
Joseph McClafferty, Carrigart.
Andrew McCrea, Main Street, Pettigo.
John McElhinney, Carrigans.
Anthony McFadden, Newtown, Falcarragh.
Patrick McGettigan, Main Street, Milford.
George McGrotty, Moyle, Newtowncunningham.
James McGuire, Kinakillew, Glencolumbcille.
James McLaughlin, Muff.
Con McLoone, Glenties.
Francis McNeely, Main Street Donegal.
Robert Orr, Glebe, Carrigans.
Neil O'Donnell, Annagry.
Con O'Donnell, Carrick.
John McShane, Diamond, Raphoe.
William Patterson, Castlefin.
William John Paterson, Castlefin.
William John Paterson, Rathmullan.
Thomas Patton, Bridge End, Ramelton.
Joseph Roulston, Manorcunningham.
Samuel Robert Stevenson, Ballyshannon.
Thomas Stewart, Faugher, Ballymore.
Robert J. A. Tait, Bawan, Convoy.
John Thompson, Ballintra.
Richard White, Bridge Street, Ramelton.

SUMMARY OF REPORTS RECEIVED FROM VETERINARY INSPECTORS

MR. T. A. McCLINTOCK

Glenties Area.

Milk Inspections carried out during the year 1948 consisted in having 35 samples examined and tested for bacteria count, biological and tuberculin tests. The samples were found to be satisfactory.

Dairies and Cowsheds were inspected and found clean and in good order. There were 254 cows examined and those affected with anything likely to affect the milk were stopped from supplying. isolated and put under treatment.

Meat Inspection: The slaughter-houses were well kept, being clean and having a good water supply, complying with the regulations. There were 587 carcases examined and those found infected with tuberculosis, dropsy and inflammation were condemned and rendered unfit for human food; also portions of carcases for injuries and decomposition; also quantities of mince meat.

Bovine Tuberculosis Order: There were 41 cases reported under this order. and on examination 9 were found positive and were immediately slaughtered and compensation awarded.

Sheep Scab: The area was free from this disease during the year, although a few false alarms were made and on examination proved negative. All sheep were dipped according to regulations.

Fairs were attended and all livestock exposed for sale were inspected.

Letterkenny Urban Area.

During the year 1948 **Inspection of the Meat Supply** consisted of the examination of 327 carcases, of which portions were condemned and rendered unfit for human food. owing to disease, injuries, and decomposition. Carcases with tuberculosis, dropsy and inflammation were completely condemned and rendered unfit for food, as were also quantities of mince meat.

Four boxes of herrings (15 dozen in each box) were condemned and buried owing to decomposition.

Milk Supply: 25 samples were examined and those forwarded to Dublin for Biological test, Bacteria count, and Tuberculin test were found satisfactory and free from disease.

Milk and Dairies Order: Inspections were carried out and cows examined. Dairy utensils were inspected. A number of cows were suspended from supplying milk owing to mastitis, and were isolated and put under treatment. Premises were kept clean and in good order.

MR. W. M. D. HUNTER

Milford Area.

Meat Inspection: I have regularly examined slaughter-houses in my area and have condemned as unfit for human consumption various viscera, etc.

Milk and Dairies: I have carried out regular inspections of dairies, byres, cows and utensils. Several cases of mastitics were detected and isolation ordered until the milk samples were negative. The standard of cleanliness was satisfactory.

Bovine Tuberculosis Order: Numerous examinations of animals reported under the Order were carried out. All milk samples proved negative on examination.

Sheep Scab Order: All fairs were regularly attended and sheep exposed for sale were inspected. All sheep were double or single dipped to comply with the Sheep Dipping Order. Repairs were carried out to several dipping baths during the year 1948 but several baths are still urgently awaiting repair before the 1949 dipping season commences.

MR. B. L. O'DONNELL

Donegal Area.

Meat Inspection: The slaughter houses and meat shops of my area have been inspected regularly and the standard of cleanliness and general hygiene in these premises was satisfactory.

Milk and Dairies: Inspection of the dairies in this area revealed a satisfactory standard of hygiene. The absence of a proper cooling system of milk in these dairies is regrettable.

Bovine Tuberculosis Order: Fewer suspected cases of Tuberculosis were reported than in the previous year, while there was an increase in the number of farmers who had their cows tuberculin tested.

Sheep Scab: Sheep exposed for sale at the various markets were inspected regularly. There were no outbreaks of sheep scab due largely to the improved facilities for dipping brought about by the erection of modern baths during the previous twelve months.

MILK AND DAIRIES ACT, 1935

The following shows the applications for registration granted up to 31st December, 1948, for the County Health District:—

District	Veterinary Officer	Number Registered
Donegal	B. L. O'Donnell	29
Buncrana	R. Marner	31
Milford	W. M. D. Hunter	7
Letterkenny	P. McGlinchey	44
Glenties	T. A. McClintock	77
	TOTALS	188

FREE MILK SCHEME

Donegal County Health District

The above Scheme was continued in operation during the year 1948. In several areas it was not possible to get contractors to supply milk, with the result that Full Cream Milk Powder had to be substituted. This powder was obtained from Mr. W. Murphy, North King Street, Dublin.

939 children were in receipt of milk or milk powder on 31st December, 1948. A sum of £3.032 10s 4d was expended under the Scheme during the year.

Letterkenny Urban District.

The duties in connection with the Free Milk Scheme are not now carried out by the Letterkenny Urban District Council.

Bundoran Urban District.

The Scheme was operated from the 4th February until the 31st March, 1948, and 54lb. of full cream milk powder were distributed amongst necessitous children, in the absence of tenders for supply of fresh milk.

Buncrana Urban District.

No scheme was in progress in the Urban District as the County Council, as the Health Authority, has been responsible for the operation of the scheme from 1st April, 1948. Up to that date, the Scheme was operated by the Urban Council and a sum of £16 was spent on supplies of Full Cream Milk Powder. The scheme was supervised by Mr. J. J. Doherty, Home Assistance Officer.

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE ACTIVIITES, 1948

DISTRICT	Expectant and Nursing Mothers	Visits Paid	Infants Under 1 Year	Visits Paid	Children Under 5 Years	Visits Paid
Annagry	124	833	36	769	151	1,844
Ardara	56	735	35	412	174	1,168
Arranmore Island	12	478	21	693	70	792
Ballybofey and Stranorlar ...	89	879	106	785	207	1,607
Ballyshannon	178	1,246	109	1,098	216	1,874
Bruckless	39	157	43	381	76	1,902
Bunerana	185	2,022	86	756	285	1,185
Bundoran	48	1,227	38	886	98	2,210
Carndonagh	102	582	80	520	240	1,094
Carrigart	153	2,006	32	323	178	1,265
Clonmany	45	626	34	516	348	581
Convoy	76	1,529	35	904	137	1,940
Creeslough	80	286	57	296	118	750
Derrybeg	40	179	49	793	196	1,152
Donegal	126	828	109	738	175	1,468
Doochary	17	280	17	420	96	912
Drumholm	84	1,008	32	405	189	1,684
Dunfanaghy	38	456	22	330	60	1,976
Dungloe	40	378	41	309	173	600
Edeninfagh	20	148	20	236	46	663
Fahan and Inch	58	1,372	52	884	191	1,972
Fanad, No. 1	57	456	27	216	136	1,088
Fanad, No. 2	63	1,199	32	262	228	3,373
Fintown	14	101	16	192	76	914
Frosses	121	1,023	52	879	214	1,037
Glencolumbkille	30	460	28	300	80	320
Glenfin	51	265	31	388	147	718
Glenties	42	504	38	766	178	1,602

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE ACTIVITIES, 1948—Continued

DISTRICT	Expectant and Nursing Mothers	Visits Paid	Infants Under 1 Year	Visits Paid	Children Under 5 Years	Visits Paid
Gortahork and Falcarragh ...	82	753	45	622	160	1,716
Kilcar	76	784	30	720	80	1,560
Kincasslagh	17	488	21	300	47	309
Letterkenny	236	1,128	179	1,138	493	1,972
Lifford, Clonleigh and Castlefin ...	45	2,280	57	755	285	4,355
Malin	40	817	40	136	242	3,266
Manorcunningham	58	1,100	60	1,100	194	340
Moville	55	1,056	35	1,000	152	2,700
Muff and Upper Moville	55	859	55	566	116	688
Ramelton	98	736	52	494	826	1,308
Rathmullan and Glenvar	48	192	38	398	159	1,912
Raphoe	107	604	63	484	100	1,211
Taughboyne	124	1,218	89	991	297	2,282
By Supt. P.H. Nurse Casey ...	110	130	96	197	139	162

SUPERVISION OF MIDWIVES, 1948

Miss Casey, Superintendent Public Health Nurse. reports as follows:—

96 visits of Inspection were paid to 79 Midwives. Of the 81 Midwives who notified their Intention to Practice in 1948. 6 left the county, 4 ceased to practice and 2 resided in Northern Ireland.

The work of the Midwives was satisfactory generally. One Nursing Home in the county was recommended to be closed.

80 visits were paid to Jubilee and McDevitt Nurses in connection with Child Welfare and Tuberculosis activities. Their work was satisfactory.

The following is a summary of the various notifications received during the year 1948 from Midwives Practising in the County:—

1.	Notification of Intention to Practise	81
2.	Emergencies for which Medical Aid was summoned:—	
	Abnormal Presentations	14
	Abortions (threatened and complete)	6
	Ante-partum Haemorrhage	1
	Delayed Labour and Uterine Inertia	27
	Illness of Infant	1
	Post-partum Haemorrhage	2
	Puerperal Pyrexia	2
	Retained and Adherent Placenta	5
	Rupture of Perineum	18
3	Notification of Still Births	9
4.	Notification of Deaths	1
5.	Notification of Artificial Feeding	4
6.	Notification of Liability to be a source of Infection	2

NOTIFICATION OF BIRTHS

The following table shows the number notified to this Department for the years 1937/1948, together with the total number of registered births as supplied by the Registrar-General:—

Year	Notified to this Dept.	Births Registered
1937	1,736	2,345
1938	1,896	2,536
1939	1,814	2,448
1940	2,008	2,629
1941	2,208	2,710
1942	2,219	3,000
1943	2,247	2,990
1944	2,241	2,947
1945	2,338	3,069
1946	2,237	2,956
1947	2,290	3,045
1948	1,992	2,842

SCHEME FOR WELFARE OF THE BLIND

The County Scheme administered by the County Council is, briefly, as follows:—

1. A register of blind persons in the County is kept up-to-date.

2. Arrangements are made by the County Council for the following:—

(a) The education or industrial training of suitable blind persons between the ages of five and thirty years.

(b) The employment in Workshops for the Blind of blind persons, suitable for such employment, their maintenance in a hostel, and the augmentation of their wages.

(c) The maintenance in Homes of blind persons, who owing to age or infirmity, are incapable of work.

3. The County Council may in the case of unemployable and necessitous blind persons ineligible for education or industrial training under the Scheme, and living in their own homes, or in lodgings, grant assistance to such persons in accordance with the following scale:—

	Per Week
(a) Blind persons over 15 and under 30 years of age	10/-
(b) Blind persons over 30 years of age and upwards with pension	4/- with pension
(c) Married man under 30 years of age with wife dependent on him	15/-
(d) Married man 30 years of age and upwards with wife dependent on him	8/- with pension
(e) Additional allowance for each child	2/6

The institutions approved by the Minister under the provisions of this Scheme are:—

Name of Institution.	Class of Blind persons received.
1.—St. Mary's Institution for Female Blind, Merrion, Co. Dublin, ...	Females; also Boys up to 7 years of age.
2.—St. Joseph's Asylum for Male Blind, Drumcondra, Dublin	Males.
3.—Richmond National Institution for Industrious Blind, 41, Upr. O'Connell St., Dublin	Males.
4.—Cork County & City Asylum for the Blind, Infirmary Rd., Cork.....	Males and Females.

During the year 1948 five persons were maintained in Institutions and allowances were made to 64 blind persons in their own homes. The total amount paid was £942 4s 6d.

RETURN OF SAMPLES OF FOOD AND DRUGS TAKEN IN CO. DONEGAL DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1948

Particulars of Samples Taken	No. of Samples Taken	Number Certified as Adulterated	No. of Prosecutions	No. of Convictions	Amount of Fines and Costs
Whole Milk	250	4	4	4	£5 5 2
Buttermilk	13				
Butter	27				
Margarine	34				
Cheese	15				
Cocoa	15				
Coffee	5				
Sugar	14				
Tea	6				
Jam and Marmalade ...	16				
Bread	8				
Flour	51				
Spirits	25	1	1	1	£11 14 1
Other Intoxicating Liquor	38				
Non-Alcholic Drinks ...	16				
Bread Soda	15				
Baking Powder	2				
Soda Bicarbonate ...	2				
Bextartar	1				
Tartarine	2				
Barley	16				
Browning	1				
Beans	2				
Cornflour	11				
Custard Powder	9				
Coconut	1				
Glucose	1				
Cornflakes	1				
Flake Meal	6				
Oatmeal	19				
Indian Meal	1				
Maize Meal	1				
Grapenuts	1				
Mince Meat	6	1	1	1	17 6
Sausage Meat	1				
Sausages	4				
Ice Cream	4				
Jelly	1				
Jelly Crystals	1				
Cod Liver Oil	4				
Castor Oil	1				
Liquid Paraffin	2				
Glycerine	1				
Syr-Ferri Phosphates ...	1				
Semolina	2				
Rice	1				
Tapioca	6				
Sago	6				
Currants	1				
Raisins	3				

RETURN OF SAMPLES OF FOOD AND DRUGS TAKEN IN CO DONEGAL DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1948, (Continued)

Particulars of Samples Taken	No. of Samples Taken	Number Certified as Adulterated	No. of Prosecutions	No. of Convictions	Amount of Fines and Costs
Pepper	1				
Mustard	1				
Treacle	1				
Syrup	2				
Tomato Ketchup ...	2				
Sauce (T.D.)	2				
Yorkshire Relish ...	1				
Vinegar	13				
Turpentine	1				
TOTALS ...	695	6	6	6	£17 16 9

CIGIRI BHIDH AGUS DRUGANNA: ROINN DHUN na nGALL

AINM.	STAISIUN
Mac Cosgair, S. M.	Leitir Ceanainn.
O'Conghaile, L.	Leith-bhearr.
O'Gairbhthin, P. S.	Baile Nua an Mhaoil
MagUirc, P.	Carn Domhnach.
MagUidhir, T.	Rath-Bhotha.
O'Flannagain, S. E.	Bun Cranaighe.
Breathnach, M.	Bun a' Phobuil.
O'hAra, S.	Magh.
O'Gairbhthigh, B.	Beal atha Seannaigh.
Mac Mathuna, T.	Baile atha Feich.
O'Rianin, S.	Paite Gabha.
Arnold, L. P.	Bun Beag.
O'Maille, M. S.	An Clochar.
de Faoite, M. P.	Teampall Chroin.
Sairseal, T.	Tamhnach a' t-Salainn.
Ua Braonain, U.	An Carraig.
Mac Phaidin, D.	Dun Ceann Fhaolaidh.
Ua Conceanainn, S.	Baile na nGalleglach.
Mac Aoidh, M.	Fal Carrach.
O'Cochlain, P. N.	Carraig Airt.

LIST OF BURIAL GROUND CARETAKERS IN CO. DONEGAL

Burial Ground.	Name of Caretaker.	Address	Salary
Finner	Patrick J. Quinn	Finner, Bundoran	£6
Teetunny	George Clarke	Teetunny, Ballyshannon	3
Killymard	Isabella Irwin	Dromore, Donegal	3
Carn	James Cathcart	Pettigo	3
Inver	Thomas Mullan	Inver	3
Dunkineely	James Henderson	Dunkineely	6
Donegal Abbey	Hugh Kearns	Mullans, Donegal	8
Old Ray	Andrew Harkin	Ray, Falcarragh	3
Tullaghobegley	Manus Sieyes	Falcarragh	3
Clondahorkey	James McBride	Rinclavan, Dunfanaghy	3
Clondahorkey 2	Moses Campbell	Dunfanaghy	3
Doe Castle	John McBride	Doe Castle, Creeslough	3
Magheragallon	Joseph Curran	Derrybeg	3
Milltown	Thomas Canning	Burt	3
Drumhaggart	William Slater	Muff	3
Grange	William Reilly	Grange, Burt	3
Fahan Old	Rev. W. G. Dixon	Fahan	3
Eskaheen	Mary McColgan	Eskaheen, Muff	3
Inch	Geo. McIntyre	Inch	3
Balleeghan	John Devanny	Veagh, Manorcunningham	3
Aughanunshin	G. McDermott	Gortlea, Letterkenny	6
Gartan	Samson Tease	Gartan, Churchill	3
Leck	Edward McGrath	Oldtown, Letterkenny	6
Kilmacrennan	James O'Donnell	Kilmacrennan	3
Killygarvan	John McCarron	Rathmullan	3
Rathmullan Abbey	James Ewing	Killygarvan, Rathmullan	3
Meevagh	Denis Gallagher	Clontallagh, Downings	3
Ramelton	George Taylor	Ramelton	3
Killydonnell Abbey	D. McDevitt	Killydonnell, Letterkenny	3
Ballindrait	William Wilkie	Bogagh, Ballindrait	3
Clonleigh	Patrick Friel	Clonleigh, Lifford	6
St. Johnston	Thomas Magee	St. Johnston	3
Ballybogan	Charles Burns	Ballybogan, Lifford	3
Kilmacrennan	James O'Donnell	Kilmacrennan	3
Cooley	Michael Bonner	Cooley, Moville	4
Raymoghey	Hugh Roarty	Ray, Manorcunningham	3
Tully	Chas. McGroary	Drummond, Ramelton	6
Naran	Peter McLoone	Naran, Glenties	4
Killybegs Old (St. Catherine's)	Patrick Carr (Jas.)	Roshine, Killybegs	3

SANITARY SUB-OFFICERS IN COUNTY DONEGAL

Name of District.	Name of Officer.	Annual Salary.
Ballyshannon	Mary Gillespie	£33
Donegal	H. J. McCaffrey	£33
Pettigo	John Travers	£14
Dunfanaghy	James McFadden	£20
Dungloe	Patrick McGuire	£14
Glenties	John P. Doherty	£14
Carrick	F. W. L. Cunningham	£14
Carndonagh	Mary Lynch	£14
Moville	P. V. McLaughlin	£14
Clonmany	Mary Grant	£14
Buncrana	John J. Doherty	£35
Aileach	Rose McLaughlin	£48
Letterkenny	Bernard Cullen	£43
Milford	Hugh McBride	£14
Rathmullan	Francis J. McBride	£14
Rosguill	Dan McBride	£7
Cloghan & Stranorlar	Bernard Griffin	£27
Killygordon	Bernard Griffin	£14
Castlefin	James J. Brolly	£43
Raphoe	James McCarron	£32

DISPENSARY SERVICE IN COUNTY DONEGAL

Dispensary District	Medical Officer	Midwife	Area (Acres)	Population (1936)
Ardara	Dr. James C. Boyle	Miss Julia Sweeney	44,916	3,986
Ballintra	Dr. James Diver	Mrs. E. McGrane	16,098	1,509
Ballyshannon	Dr. James Gordon	Mrs. A. Cooney	25,530	6,467
Bunerana	Dr. James McCormick ...	Mrs. M. McCrudden	35,680	5,718
		Miss B. M. McDaid (temporary)		
Carndonagh	Dr. F. C. Friel	Mrs. A. B. Mannion	35,402	3,962
Carrick	Dr. C. O'Byrne	Mrs. A. M. Burke	46,058	3,887
Castlefin	Dr. M. Coyne	Mrs. A. M. Coll	28,594	5,449
		Mrs. M. Caulfield.		
Churchill	Dr. J. A. Moloney	Mrs. K. McDevitt	60,051	2,711
Cloghan	Dr. M. J. Boyle	Miss R. Greene	53,951	3,201
Clonmany	Vacant	Miss M. M. Kavanagh ...	23,464	3,659
Cross Roads (Falcarragh) ...	Dr. F. E. Gallagher	Miss N. Mulhern	51,506	5,217
Cross Roads (Bunbeg) ...	Dr. Connell Carr	Miss M. Toher	42,212	4,747
		Mrs. A. I. Savage		
Donegal	Dr. W. J. Gallagher	Mrs. E. Doherty	43,426	4,006
Doochary	Vacant	None	49,456	2,898
Dunfanaghy	Dr. D. G. Coll	Mrs. Mary Ferry	32,405	3,591
Dungloe	Dr. H. P. Callaghan	Mrs. A. J. Gallagher	29,343	3,598
Dungloe (Burtonport) ...	Dr. D. MacDevitt	Mrs. E. McCole	18,482	5,704
		Mrs. B. McBride.		
Dungloe (Arranmore) ...	Dr. T. B. Joyce	Miss M. J. McMorrow ...	4,461	1,480
Dunkineely	Dr. M. McGettigan	Mrs. A. J. Corr	17,629	2,760
Fannett	Dr. M. McMenamin	Mrs. R. A. Sweeney	27,238	4,088
Glenties	Dr. J. M. McCloskey	Miss K. V. Friel	43,211	3,135
Kilderry	Dr. L. M. Boyle-Kelly ...	Miss F. M. McColgan	31,386	3,841
		Mrs. Nora Sweeney.		
Killea	Vacant	Miss B. Coyle	27,736	3,913

DISPENSARY SERVICE IN COUNTY DONEGAL—Continued

Dispensary District	Medical Officer	Midwife	Area (Acres)	Population (1936
Killybegs	Dr. M. O'Boyle	Mrs. R. Quinn	22,578	2,318
Killygordon	Dr. J. G. O'Brien	Miss M. Cassidy	36,846	3,146
Kilmacrenan and Milford ...	Dr. P. A. McGarvey	Mrs. M. A. Fields	28,628	3,054
Laghey	Dr. J. O'Neill-Moran	Mrs. S. A. Mulhern	29,368	2,548
Letterkenny	Dr. J. P. McGinley	Miss B. Scanlan	22,499	5,943
Malin	Dr. C. J. O'Sullivan	Mrs. A. P. McGuiness ...	26,636	4,109
Manorcunningham	Dr. J. P. Dodd	Miss G. A. McMonagle ...	18,704	2,492
Moville	Dr. Thomas Harkin	Mrs. M. A. McMonagle ...	38,839	5,792
		Mrs. Mary C. Bonner.		
Pettigo	Dr. Patrick Twohig	Miss K. McGowan	36,044	1,673
Raphoe	Dr. Mary Doyle	Mrs. E. J. McMonagle ...	24,536	4,381
		Mrs. M. E. Crumlish.		
Ramelton	Dr. C. Boyle	Mrs. A. P. McCahill	19,597	2,924
Rathmullan	Vacant	Miss B. Deeney	11,883	1,805
Rosguill	Dr. D. O'Kelly	Mrs. B. Kelly	24,743	3,642
Stranorlar	Dr. J. Gormley	Mrs. C. Kelly	30,462	4,960
		Mrs. B. McGinley.		
Tanatallon	Dr. E. F. O'Sullivan	Mrs. B. M. Doherty	33,982	3,793

PART II

ANNUAL REPORT

— OF THE —

County Medical Officer

COUNTY DONEGAL

— ON THE —

County School Medical Service

YEAR 1948

TOTAL NUMBER OF SCHOOLS IN THE COUNTY 387

TOTAL SCHOOL POPULATION 23,159

(1937 figures)

EYES

The following report was kindly supplied by Dr. G. O'Donnell, County Ophthalmic Surgeon:—

During the year 1948. I examined 848 children with defective vision. There were no cases of Trachoma amongst the children. The attendances were very good.

Eye conditions encountered amongst the children examined were:

Albinism	3
Blepharitis	13
Cataract (Congenital)	1
Chalazion	1
Corneal Ulcer	3
Conjunctivitis	12
Conjunctivitis (Angular)	2
Conjunctivitis (Phlyctenular)	2
Myopia (High)	33
Nystagmus	10
Ptosis (3rd Nerve)	5
Optic Atrophy	2
Keratitis	6
Ectropion	1
Entropion	2
Opacity in Lens	1
Dacryocystitis	1
Stenosis Lacrymal Duct	1
Strabismus (Concomitant)	120
Strabismus (Divergent)	10

The following Reports have been submitted:—

TEETH

REPORT OF MR. J. R. KELLY, B.D.S.

During the year 1948, twenty-one (21) Dental Clinics were held in fourteen (14) centres. Of the total children recommended for treatment, 622 or approximately 70% attended and were treated.

REPORT OF MR. G. O'LEARY, L.D.S.

During the year 1948, 14 Dental Clinics were held.
738 children were called.
412 treated.
311 failed to attend.
15 did not require any treatment.

Dental caries seems to be on the increase in most areas, and more extractions had to be carried out for the younger children. On the other hand, older children who have had previous treatment show a decided improvement and quite a few of them require no further treatment.

REPORT OF MR. D. J. BONAR, B.D.S.

During the year 1948, I carried out 18 Dental Clinics, the attendance at these being 524, or roughly 75% of those called. A disturbing feature of these Schools Dental Clinics is the fact that in a great percentage of these children I found that their first permanent molar teeth were in an advanced state of decay and in many cases in a very septic condition. This sad state of affairs would appear to be due mainly to the fact that parents fail to realise that the eruption of these back teeth (which incidentally are the first permanent teeth to erupt) are not preceded by a corresponding loss of any deciduous teeth. Thus we find that parents are inclined to neglect having their children carry out even the bare essentials of oral hygiene, being under the impression that it is a waste of time to take care of deciduous teeth.

I would like to emphasise that it is absolutely essential for Dental Health that children at a very early age ought to be tooth conscious, and should be taught how to use their own tooth brush regularly, morning and night. Neglect which necessitates consequential removal of deciduous teeth before the appropriate time for shedding them, leaves the country an appalling legacy of underdeveloped and overcrowded jaws.

SCHOOL MEALS

COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT

During the year 1948, a sum of £2,784 14s 2d was spent by the Donegal County Council in providing meals for children attending 104 schools in the scheduled Gaeltacht area.

LETTERKENNY URBAN DISTRICT

During the year 1948 the monthly average of School Meals supplied was 454. The total amount spent on meals for the year was £90. The meals consist of bread, butter or jam, and cocoa-milk-sugar compound.

BUNDORAN URBAN DISTRICT

The Committee in charge of the School Meals supervision consists of Very Rev. D. (Canon) McGrath, P.P., Mr. Edward Daly, Councillors F. O'Gorman, Joseph O'Doherty, and James O'Doherty. The meals are dispensed by a School Meals Superintendent, and consist of bread, butter, and cocoa milk and sugar compound.

The average daily attendance during the school term 1948 was 58.

BUNCRANA URBAN DISTRICT

No scheme for school meals is in operation in the district.

BALLYSHANNON TOWN

Meals consist of hot cocoa, bread and butter and were supplied by the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners to the following schools: Carrickboy N.S., St. Joseph's N.S., Convent of Mercy N.S. Electric boilers are provided for cooking and meals are served by a School Meals Superintendent. Hot cocoa was served in the winter months and milk in the summer. 15,300 meals were provided at a cost of £160 6s 5d, £20 of this sum being for new equipment.

SCHOOL BUILDINGS

Of the 140 Schools examined during the year, 124 were adversely reported on:—

Ardara (Ardara) : Playground too small, and playground wall needs to be completed. Drinking-water supply should be installed.

Ardara (Mixed) : Playground space inadequate and surface very uneven.

Arranmore No. 1 (Dungloe-Arranmore) : Lavatory accommodation inadequate and existing lavatories entirely unsuitable. New lavatories are urgently required. Rain-water tank should be installed. If possible, flush lavatories should be installed.

Arranmore No. 2 (Dungloe-Arranmore) : Enclosed playground should be provided. Tank for roof water required. Existing closets are too near the school building. School desks in bad condition.

Alt No. 1 (Castlefin) : Playground unsuitable in wet weather. Paths and entrance to boys' closets are water-logged in wet weather.

Beagh (Ardara) : Playground surface too rough.

Brackey (Ardara) : Playground too small.

Ballymore (Dunfanaghy) : No satisfactory water-supply for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Ballydevitte (Donegal) : Rain-water tank should be installed. Fire in one classroom smoking badly.

Browneknowe (Ramelton) : Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Barnesmore (Donegal) : Playground too small.

Ballystrang (Letterkenny) : Playground inadequate and unsuitable. New lavatories and proper supply of drinking-water required. Wash-hand basins not available.

Beltra (Clonmany) : Lighting not good in one room—would require additional window. Playground very wet and rather small. Wash-hand basins not available.

Boyagh (Castlefin) : Suitable water for drinking should be made available.

Carnamoyle (Kilderry) : Playground unsuitable. Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Carrigart (Rosguill) : Cloak room inadequate. Playground unsuitable. There is a pool of water at the entrance to the boys' closet. This area should be gravelled. Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Carroweannon (Cross-Roads—Falcarragh) : Four teachers in a two-roomed school. No playground. School-building very old—has been condemned previously. Recommend that new school be erected as soon as possible.

Coguish (Carrick) : Playground damp and surface not level. Playground space inadequate.

Crove (Carrick) : Doors needed for lavatories. Window frames need painting. Playground damp. No drinking-water near school.

Carndonagh (St. Patrick's Boys') (Carndonagh) : Wash-hand basins not available.

Carrick (Carrick) : Flush lavatories urgently required. Present lavatories grossly insufficient in number and in bad repair. Classrooms overcrowded. Playground too small. Water-supply should be installed.

Cashel (Carrick) : Playground too small. No drainage from lavatory pit.

Cnoc na Naomh (Cross Roads—Falcarragh) : Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Craigtown (Carndonagh) : Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Cronaghbois (Ardara) : Playground too small. Covered shelter needed.

Creeslough (Dunfanaghy) : No satisfactory water-supply for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Cashelnagore (Cross Roads—Falcarragh) : Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available. Playground too small.

Cooladawson (Killygordon) : School previously condemned. Two teachers in one room. No playground, cloak room or turf house. Lavatories in bad repair. New school required.

Cineal Conaill (Donegal) : Heating in large classroom inadequate. New front door needed for school.

Cockhill (Buncrana) : Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking.

Croaghan (Ramelton) : Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Clar (Donegal) : Sanitary accommodation defective. No water-supply on premises. Wash-hand basins not available.

Cashelshanaghan (Letterkenny) : Heating inadequate. Wash-hand basins not available.

Castlefin (G.) (Castlefin) : Two teachers in one room, with insufficient heating. Playground and closets unsuitable. No water-supply. Wash-hand basins not available.

Castlefin (B.) (Castlefin) : Overcrowded. Two teachers in one room. Ventilation unsuitable. Heating inadequate. No cloak room. Playground space inadequate. Wash-hand basins not available. Water lying at entrance to closets—surface should be levelled there.

Crossconnell (Clonmany) : Plaster falling off ceiling in a few places. Wash-hand basins not available.

Cloontagh (Clonmany) : Sanitary accommodation not suitable. Playground water-logged. Wash-hand basins not available. School requires proper water-supply as river water is used when well goes dry in summer.

Derryhassen (Rosguill) : Closets bad—should be replaced. Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Derrylahan (Carrick) : Sanitary accommodation defective. Heating inadequate. New lavatories and fireplaces are being installed in the near future; also walls are being plastered. Playground surface very uneven, and space inadequate.

Donaghmore (Killygordon) : Provision of covered shelter desirable.

Drimnaraw (Dunfanaghy) : No satisfactory water-supply for drinking Wash-hand basins not available.

Dromore (Killygordon) : School overcrowded. Covered shelter needed.

Dunfanaghy No. 1 (Dunfanaghy) : Wash-hand basins not available.

Drimnaherk (Tanatallon) : As previously reported the small class room is overcrowded and the lighting is inadequate. Cloak room too small. Playground too small and surface rough. No drinking-water near school. More closets desirable. Heating in large classroom inadequate.

Drimcoe (Tanatallon) : Second fire-place needed. Lighting inadequate; windows too small. Floor needs repairs. No drinking-water near school.

Drumfries (Buncrana) : Wash-hand basins not available. No drinking water.

Donegal (Mixed) Donegal : The sanitary accommodation is inadequate. There is no playground. Cloak room inadequate. Wash-hand basins not available. A shelter should be provided for use by children on wet days.

Ednacarnon (Churchill) : Playground too small. Lighting bad in one class-room—windows should be enlarged. Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Fangher (Dunfanaghy) : Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Frosses (Tanatallon) : Covered shelter recommended. Playground too small.

Gortnabrade (Rosguill) : Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Glassalts (Carndonagh) : Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Glencar (Letterkenny) : Sanitary accommodation defective. Playground is water-logged in wet weather—it requires to be drained. No cloak room. Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Gortahork (Cross Road—Falcarragh) : Playground near girls' closet very muddy; this area should be properly drained and concreted. Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Gortnacart (Ardara) : Playground unsuitable—surface very uneven. Playground wall needs repair. No drinking water near school. Lavatories need repair. School roof needs repairs. Plaster falling off the school walls. Two teachers in one room. The fire in the school room is smoking badly and school generally is in bad repair.

Gartan (Churchill) : Wash-hand basins not available.

Glasson (Dunfanaghy) : No satisfactory water-supply for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Gleneely (Killygordon) : Two teachers in one room — partition needed. Playground space inadequate.

Glentogher (Carndonagh) : No satisfactory water-supply for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Glenalla (Ramelton) : Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Glencoagh (Tanatallon) : One class room is grossly overcrowded—the floor space available is only 5 square foot per pupil. The lighting in two of the rooms is inadequate. There are two teachers in one room—partition needed; also another fireplace. The playground is too rough and is much too small. There are only two earth closets in this school. They are in very bad repair and in a most insanitary condition. More closets are urgently required and running water should be laid on. Cleaning and repair of existing closets is most urgently required.

Glendowan (Churchill) : Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Glentidally (Ramelton) : No playground. Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Glenvar (Rathmullan) : Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Gaddyduff Boys' (Clonmany) : Playground inadequate and unsuitable. Wash-hand basins not available. Two teachers in one room. Overcrowded. Awaiting extra accommodation.

Gaddyduff Girls' (Clonmany) : Two teachers in one room (60 pupils). Require extra accommodation. Playground inadequate and unsuitable. Wash-hand basins not available.

Glendooen (Letterkenny) : No cloakroom. Wash-hand basins not available.

Hugh Roe (Donegal) : Installation of flush closets urgently required. Two of the class-rooms are draughty—the windows should be changed. Chimney in one room smokes in winter-time. Playground is damp in winter-time. Covered shelter needed.

Inver (Tanatallon) : Door required for closet.

Keelogs (Dunkineely) : Playground water-logged—need to be drained. Space in playground inadequate. Spouting of roof badly damaged and roof water is flooding playground—repair needed urgently.

Kilcar (Carrick) : One gable wall needs to be plastered—damp. One lavatory door needs repair. Playground too rough and space inadequate.

Knowhead (Kilderry) : Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Keelogs (Churchill) : No satisfactory water-supply for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Kildarragh (Dunfanaghy) : Two teachers in one room. School-building old, but a new school is being built at present.

Killygordon (Killygordon) : Playground surface uneven. Derelict buildings at rear of school should be converted into turf house. Cloak room needed. New lavatories, situated farther away from school, needed. Heating inadequate.

Kinnego (Buncrana) : Water supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Killycreen (Letterkenny) : Water supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Laconnell (Ardara) : Playground unsuitable—surface very uneven. and space inadequate. Walls need plastering (repairs being carried out).

Lismulladuff (Killygordon) : New lavatories required. Playground too damp. One wall of school damp and needs repairs. Heating inadequate. More crooks required for cloak room. Partition required. Windows cannot be opened properly. Ventilation unsuitable.

Lougheraherk (Carrick) : Playground space inadequate.

Loughros Point (Ardara) : Enclosed playground should be provided.

Letterfad (Tanatallon) : Drain needed for cesspool of boys' lavatory. Gables damp. Playground space inadequate.

Lettermore (Tanatallon) : Heating of school inadequate. Roof and woodwork of closets urgently in need of repair.

Lossett (Churchill) : Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Lurganboyce (Rathmullan) : Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Lower Illies (Buncrana) : Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Lough Eske (Donegal) : No cloak room or wash-hand basins.

Lackrum (Donegal) : Sanitary accommodation not in good condition —wall dangerous. No water-supply available. Wash-hand basins not available. The question of fires is difficult, as there is no grant for fuel and children do not bring any. Fuel should be provided.

Meenderry (Cross Roads—Falcarragh) : Water supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Meevagh (Rossguill) : Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Meenaneary (Carrick) : Windows broken and school draughty. New closets required. Playground space inadequate.

Meenavalley (Ardara) : Lavatory door needs repairs.

Malinbeg (Carrick) : One gable cracked and very damp. Plaster falling off roof. Extra fire-place needed. Partition needed. New lavatories required. Cloak room at present being used as turf house—turf house required. School should be connected with local water-supply. Ventilation unsuitable—windows cannot be opened. Playground inadequate and unsuitable.

Malinmore (Carrick) : Spouting has fallen off roof. Window sills leaking. Ventilators broken. Lavatories need repair. Bushes in playground should be removed. No drinking-water near school.

Massinass (Dunfanaghy): Some pegs missing from cloak room. No satisfactory water-supply for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Meenacross (Carrick): More crooks required for cloak room. Playground wall needs repairs.

Murroe (Dunfanaghy) : No satisfactory water supply for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Magheraroarty (Cross Road—Falcarragh) : Drainage of school playground requires attention. Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Meenglass (Killygordon): Playground unsuitable—too rough and damp, and space inadequate. Cloak room needed. Two teachers in one room.

Meenreagh (Killygordon) : Playground too damp. Lavatories need repair.

Meenacahan (Tanatallon) : New floor required. More crooks required for cloak room. Wash-hand basin required. Doors of closets need repairs. Playground too rough. No water-supply.

Meenatole (Ramelton) : Water supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Nuala Convent (Donegal) : The temporary building which is at present in use is not suitable and is overcrowded. The lighting in one of the rooms in this structure is poor and the ventilation is bad. The playground is too small and too damp. More closets are urgently required and, if possible, flush closets should be installed.

Rashedog (Churchill) : Gutters and rain-water pipes in bad condition; new ones should be provided. Surface of playground gets very muddy in winter; it needs to be drained. Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Rathmullan Robertson (Rathmullan) : Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Ray (2) (Ramelton) : Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Rathmullan (Rathmullan) : Two teachers in one room, in which lighting is bad. Cloak room too small. Water supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Ramelton Catholic (Ramelton) : Sanitary accommodation too near school premises. Ventilation unsuitable in one room. Heating inadequate. Lighting inadequate, especially in small room. Cloak room inadequate. Playground unsuitable and inadequate. Wash-hand basins not available. School about to be reconstructed.

Rathdonnell (Churchill) : Sanitary accommodation not adequate. Lighting inadequate. Cloak room inadequate. School consists of one room in private house and is not suitable. A new school is required.

Rashenny (Clonmany) : Playground very bad—urgently needs attention. At date of inspection one had to go ankle-deep in mud and water to reach the school door.

Straleel (Carrick) : Lavatories need repairs. Playground damp and surface rough. No drinking-water near school. Wash-hand basin needed.

Slieve League (Carrick) : Lavatories, playground and cloak room required.

Sessiaghoneill (Killygordon) : School previously condemned. New school to be constructed shortly.

St. Garvan's (Rathmullan) : Water supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Sledrin (Buncrana) : Water supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

St. Egney's (G.) (Buncrana) : Sanitary accommodation unsatisfactory. Lighting not adequate in one room—extra window required. Cloak room not adequate. Wash-hand basins not available.

St. Egney's (B.) (Buncrana) : Would require proper cloak room accommodation and suitable water supply. Wash-hand basins not available.

Ture (Kilderry) : Excellent school but slightly overcrowded at present. Water supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Teelin (Carrick) : Heating in large room inadequate. More closets required. Playground too small. No drinking water near school. Cloak room inadequate.

Templedouglas (Churchill) : Playground rather small. Railings should be erected along one side of playground to prevent children from falling on to roadway six to eight feet below. Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available.

Tullybeg (Ramelton) : School-house very old and overcrowded. Two teachers in one room. Sanitary accommodation inadequate. No cloak room. Water-supply not satisfactory for drinking. Wash-hand basins not available. A new school is necessary.

Tullydish (Buncrana) : No drinking water near school; the nearest is half-a-mile away. Wash-hand basins not available.

Trentagh (Churchill) : Lighting inadequate. Playground unsuitable. Wash-hand basins not available.

Woodlands (Letterkenny) : Two teachers in one room. School premises unsuitable—overcrowded. Badly lighted. Ceiling defective. No cloak room. Wash-hand basins not available. New school urgently needed.

TABLE A.

SHOWING TOTAL NUMBER OF CHILDREN INSPECTED DURING THE YEAR 1948, GROUPED ACCORDING TO THE DISPENSARY DISTRICTS, AND THE ATTENDANCES OF PARENTS AT THE ACTUAL INSPECTIONS

DISPENSARY DISTRICT	Number on Roll	Total Number Inspected	First Inspection	Second Inspection	Number Whose Parents Present	No. Who Refused Inspection
ARDARA	279	149	48	101	138	89
Ardara	71	22	6	16	22	27
Ardara Mixed ...	12	11	8	3	9	—
Beagh	16	16	3	13	16	—
Braekey	58	31	11	20	29	11
Cronaghbois ...	35	15	2	13	15	14
Gortnaeart ...	31	15	4	11	11	9
Laeonnell	20	18	5	13	17	—
Loughros Point ...	20	14	6	8	12	4
Meenavalley ...	34	7	3	4	7	24
BUNCRANA	1117	854	406	448	465	104
Convent	351	227	123	104	163	76
Drumfries	84	59	31	28	5	12
Lower Fahan ...	39	31	15	16	17	—
Illies	62	54	20	34	37	—
Kinnego	65	44	24	20	35	3
Sledrin	43	32	18	14	13	—
St. Columb's (B) ...	183	181	62	119	103	—
St. Egney's (B) ...	66	41	22	19	28	11
St. Egney's (G) ...	61	59	31	28	29	—
St. Mary's	110	97	46	51	34	2
Tullydish	53	29	14	15	1	—
CARRICK	608	438	161	277	396	86
Carrick	107	90	24	66	88	5
Cashel	84	71	25	46	59	12
Coguish	68	56	15	41	49	2
Crove	15	10	5	5	3	1
Derrylaghan ...	24	13	8	5	13	6
Kilear	75	30	15	15	29	27
Loughcraherk ...	23	10	3	7	8	5
Malinbeg	38	33	11	22	30	4
Malinmore	14	5	1	4	5	9
Meenaeross	23	18	8	10	15	5
Meenaneary ...	42	39	19	20	39	—
Slieveleague ...	11	11	2	9	10	—
Straleel	11	12	6	6	12	—
Teelin	73	40	19	21	36	10

DISPENSARY DISTRICT	Number on Roll	Total Number Inspected	First Inspection	Second Inspection	Number Whose Parents Present	No. Who Refused Inspection
CASTLEFIN	406	242	133	109	152	1
Alt, No. 1	69	39	21	18	10	—
Boyagh	76	20	16	4	17	—
Castlefin (B) ...	82	30	12	18	11	—
Castlefin (G) ...	64	46	29	17	31	1
Carnowen	41	46	21	25	34	—
Tievebrack	74	61	34	27	49	—
CARNDONAGH	501	286	163	123	171	122
Convent	178	77	44	33	52	61
Craigtown	50	34	23	11	30	6
Glassalts	92	57	32	25	35	25
Glentogher	72	50	32	18	31	11
St. Patrick's (B) ...	109	68	32	36	23	19
CHURCHILL ...	258	200	70	130	96	8
Ednacarnon ...	35	19	10	9	2	8
Gartan	16	14	4	10	1	—
Glendowan	35	29	8	21	24	—
Keelogs	43	31	8	23	22	—
Lossett	16	15	6	9	5	—
Rashedog	26	25	7	18	12	—
Rathdonnell ...	18	18	7	11	11	—
Templedouglas ...	46	27	10	17	15	—
Trentagh	23	22	10	12	4	—
CLONMANY	598	364	200	164	145	115
Beltra	50	37	16	21	29	—
Cloontagh	84	38	17	21	13	13
Crossconnell ...	59	34	21	13	16	14
Gaddyduff (B) ...	102	59	36	23	17	22
Gaddyduff (G) ...	104	62	41	21	21	26
Rashenny	65	53	20	33	33	8
Tiernasligo (B) ...	66	32	21	11	6	24
Tiernasligo (G) ...	68	49	18	31	10	8
CROSS ROADS (FALCARRAGH)	644	423	196	227	236	55
Carrowcannon ...	128	90	44	46	60	—
Cashelnagore ...	87	60	25	35	36	12
Derryconnor ...	117	71	32	39	35	28
Gortahork	155	109	52	57	53	—
Magheraroarty ...	52	26	18	8	19	15
Meenderry	105	67	25	42	33	—
DONEGAL	569	331	134	197	250	160
Ballydevitte ...	77	30	14	16	24	34
Barnesmore ...	59	32	8	24	8	17
Cineal Conaill ...	70	37	13	24	30	22
Clar	19	14	8	6	12	—
Donegal Mixed ...	53	44	20	24	44	3

DISPENSARY DISTRICT	Number on Roll	Total Number Inspected	First Inspection	Second Inspection	Number Whose Parents Present	No. Who Refused Inspection
Hugh Roe	112	82	30	52	63	17
Killymard	16	6	5	1	4	6
Lackrum	18	7	4	3	7	4
Lough Eske ...	16	10	5	5	8	2
Nuala Convent ...	129	69	27	42	50	55
DUNFANAGHY ...	454	305	107	198	187	—
Ballymore	22	13	5	8	9	—
Creeslough	15	11	2	9	6	—
Drimnaraw	94	52	13	39	34	—
Dunfanaghy (Catholic) ...	59	28	18	10	22	—
Dunfanaghy No. 1	32	17	5	12	13	—
Faugher	27	23	5	18	—	—
Glasson	38	35	16	19	26	—
Kildarragh ...	50	33	13	20	11	—
Massinass	94	73	25	48	46	—
Murroe	23	20	5	15	20	—
DUNGLOE (ARRANMORE)...	263	267	94	173	248	—
Arranmore, No. 1 ...	160	161	54	107	154	—
Arranmore, No. 2 ...	103	106	40	66	94	—
KILLEA	74	34	22	12	7	—
Monreagh	52	20	15	5	2	—
The Castle ...	22	14	7	7	5	—
KILDERRY ...	132	108	27	81	28	—
Carnamoyle ...	59	48	14	34	11	—
Knowhead ...	13	10	3	7	1	—
Ture	60	50	10	40	16	—
KILLYGORDON ...	516	262	136	126	223	136
Coolladawson ...	42	20	8	12	17	18
Donaghmore ...	26	12	6	6	10	2
Dromore	150	58	38	20	49	71
Gleneovitt	64	31	22	9	37	10
Gleneely	41	23	11	12	19	10
Killygordon ...	26	18	13	5	12	3
Lismullaghduff ...	40	21	9	12	18	9
Meenglass	46	20	10	10	15	5
Meenreagh	32	29	7	22	20	—
Sessiaghoneill ...	49	30	12	18	26	8
LETTERKENNY ...	206	117	63	54	51	4
Ballystrang ...	21	16	6	10	14	—
Cashelshonaghan ...	22	14	7	7	5	1
Glencar	25	10	7	3	1	—
Glendooen	34	28	19	9	13	—

DISPENSARY DISTRICT	Number on Roll	Total Number Inspected	First Inspection	Second Inspection	Number Whose Parents Present	No. Who Refused Inspection
Letterlecgue ...	51	29	13	16	—	—
Woodlands ...	53	20	11	9	18	3
RAMELTON	423	272	119	153	56	55
Brownknowe ...	14	3	—	3	—	5
Croaghan	14	7	3	4	1	3
Glenalla	16	4	2	2	—	2
Glentidally	12	9	1	8	—	—
Killycrene	73	62	37	25	24	—
Meenatole	33	19	11	8	—	8
Ramelton Catholic	119	65	35	30	11	20
Ramelton Mixed ...	41	26	12	14	9	5
Ray (2)	46	27	6	21	10	12
Tullybeg	55	50	12	38	1	—
RATHMULLAN ...	264	168	80	88	128	60
Glenvar	44	33	10	23	20	8
Lurganboyce ...	47	9	3	6	7	21
Rathmullan Catholic	109	96	56	40	75	10
Rathmullan Robertson	12	6	3	3	6	4
St. Gervan's ...	52	24	8	16	20	17
ROSGUILL	238	109	49	60	60	76
Carrigart	45	16	9	7	3	23
Derryhasson ...	70	42	18	24	37	25
Gortnabrade ...	74	36	12	24	5	8
Meevagh	49	15	10	5	15	20
TANATALLON ...	563	418	144	274	336	91
Drimcoe	19	14	2	12	10	—
Drimnaherk ...	68	72	14	58	65	—
Frosses	81	79	21	58	65	—
Glencoagh	167	89	39	50	78	69
Inver	16	16	7	9	11	—
Killian	37	17	11	6	15	15
Letterfad	48	40	15	25	29	3
Lettermore	53	40	17	23	32	4
Meenacahan ...	22	20	7	13	5	—
Munterneese ...	52	31	11	20	26	—
GRAND TOTAL ...	8,193	5,403	2,377	3,026	3,429	1,162

TABLE B.

SHOWING THE STATE OF CHILDREN IN MATTERS OF CLOTHING, FOOTGEAR, AND CLEANLINESS

	Unsatisfactory	Percentage	Very Unsatisfactory	Percentage	Total	Percentage
Defective Clothing and Footgear	291	5.38	320	5.92	611	11.3
Uncleanliness	258	4.77	114	2.10	372	6.88

TABLE C.

GIVING A SUMMARY OF THE DEFECTS DISCOVERED DURING THE YEAR 1948

DEFECT OR DISEASE	Total	Percentage	Marked Degree or for Treatment	Percentage	Moderate Degree or for Observation	Percent age
Malnutrition	642	11.88	—	—	642	11.88
Ringworm of Body ...	4					
Ringworm of Head ...	5					
Impetigo	59					
Scabies	204					
Other Skin Diseases ...	60					
Carious Teeth ...	1,848	34.2	1,279	23.67	569	10.53
Defective Vision ...	1,040	19.24	839	15.52	201	3.72
Squint	49					
Other Eye Diseases ...	102					
Hearing	13					
Ear Diseases	64					
Speech	24					
Tonsils and Adenoids	903	16.71	553	10.23	350	6.47
Rhinitis	43					
Cervical Glands ...	203	3.75	105	1.94	98	1.81
Submaxillary Glands	57	1.05	6	0.11	51	0.94
Heart Disease ... (Functional).	21					
Heart Disease (Organic)	54					
Anaemia	81	1.49	6	0.11	75	1.38
Bronchitis	71					
Other Non-Tuberculous Lung Conditions ...	13					
Definite Pulmonary Tuberculosis ...	—					
Suspected Pulmonary Tuberculosis	14					
Surgical Tuberculosis ...	7					
Rickets	22					
Hernia	11					
Nervous Diseases ...	22					
Postural Defects ...	36					
Deformities	53					
Infectious or Contagious Diseases	33					
Mental Condition ...	17	0.31	13	0.24	4	0.7
Other Diseases or Defects	41					

TABLE D.

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN UNVACCINATED ACCORDING TO DISPENSARY DISTRICTS

DISPENSARY DISTRICT	Number Inspected	Number Unvaccinated
Ardara	149	4
Buncrana	854	51
Carrick	438	25
Carndonagh	286	37
Castlefin	242	40
Churchill	200	17
Clonmany	364	15
Cross Roads (Falcarragh) ...	423	63
Donegal	331	23
Dunfanaghy	305	181
Dungloe (Arranmore)	267	6
Dunkineely	56	1
Kilderry	108	12
Killea	34	2
Killygordon	262	18
Letterkenny	117	12
Ramelton	272	19
Rathmullan	168	8
Rosguill	109	4
Tanatallon	418	20
	5,403	558

TABLE E.

CLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN DISEASES AND DEFECTS FOUND DURING SCHOOL MEDICAL INSPECTION IN THE YEAR 1948

Skin Diseases:	
Acne	5
Alopecia	1
Angioma	3
Birthmarks	2
Dermatitis	4
Eczema	13
Furunculosis	6
Herpes Zoster	3
Ichthyosis	10
Impetigo	59
Moles	2
Naevus	2
Ringworm of Body	4
Ringworm of Head	5
Scabies	204
Septic Spots	4
Warts	5
	332

Eye Diseases:	
Blepharitis	59
Blepharospasm	2
Blocked Tear Duct	2
Conjunctivitis	11
Corneal Opacities	4
Defective Vision	1,040
Ectropion	3
Hordeolum	13
Nystagmus	3
Photophobia	1
Ptosis	3
Phlyctenular Ulcer	1
Squint	49
	1,191

Ear Diseases:	
Cerumen	7
Defective Hearing	16
Earache	2
Mastoiditis	1
Otitis Media	5
Otorrhoea	33
	64

Deformities:	
Cleft Palate	2
Congenital Deformities	6
Deflected Nasal Septum	2
Genu Valgum	6
Hare Lip	1
Kyphosis	3
Lordosis	2
Pes Planus	6
Rachitic Deformities	13
Scoliosis	3
Sequel to Injury	2
Sequel to Polioencephalitis	2
Talipes	2
Torticollis	3
	53

Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis:	
Tabes Mesenterica	2
Tuberculosis of Bone	1
Tuberculosis of Glands	2
Tuberculosis of Joints	2
	7

Other Diseases or Defects:	
Albinism	1
Chronic Appendicitis	2
Colitis	1
Enlarged Inguinal Glands	2
Galactocele	1
Ganglion	1
Gingivitis	2
Gumboil	2
Nasal Catarrh	2
Nephritis	1
Parasites	16
Phimosis	2
Pituitary disorders	2
Polydipsia	1
Prolapsed Ani	1
Steatorrhoea	1
Thrush	1
Tongue Tie	1
Undescended Testicle	1
	41

TABLE E—Continued

Classification of Certain Diseases and Defects found during School Medical Inspection in the Year 1948.

Nervous Diseases:

Epilepsy	1
Headache	4
Nervous	11
Nocturnal Enuresis	6
	22

TABLE F.

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF OPERATIONS FOR THE REMOVAL OF ENLARGED OR DISEASED TONSILS AND ADENOIDS IN THE VARIOUS COUNTY INSTITUTIONS DURING THE YEAR 1948.

Ballyshannon District Hospital	5
Carndonagh District Hospital	60
Donegal District Hospital	23
Letterkenny District Hospital	197
Lifford District Hospital	16
Total	301

TABLE G.

GIVING DETAILS OF DENTAL CLINICS HELD DURING THE YEAR 1948

Total Number of Clinics Held	108
Total Number of Children Treated	1,774

TABLE H.

GIVING DETAILS OF EYE CLINICS CONDUCTED BY THE COUNTY OPHTHALMIC SURGEON DURING THE YEAR 1948

Number of Children Examined	857
Number of Children for whom Glasses were Prescribed	784

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